Descanso Planning Group
Notice of Regular December 9, 2010 Meeting
Agenda

**Date, Time and Place: December 9, 2010 @ 7:00PM @ the Descanso Town Hall,
24536 Viejas Grade, Descanso, CA 91916**

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call/Determination of Quorum

1. Rachel Antle	4. John Elliott *7:05*	7. Don Hickle
2. Jo Ellen Quinting	5. Michael Sterns	8. Claudia White *absent*
3. Deirdre Carter	6. Cathy Prazma *7:05*	9. Terry Gibson

3. Approval of Minutes from November 2010 Regular Meetings. *Terry/Don VOTE: 6-0-0-3*
4. Correspondence and Announcements: Sent- Approval of Devon Muto's representation of DPG's general plan update position as approved in the November meeting.
5. Prioritization of this Meeting's Agenda Items
6. New Business
    A. **Prioritize Sections of Descanso Valley Pathway related to Community Block Grant for Pedestrian Improvements:** Report on 11/30/10 meeting with Supervisor Dianne Jacob and Sandra Wilson regarding Ms. Wilson's Block Grant Application. Approve prioritization of sections for funding. *Meeting was held with Diane Jacob. Ms. Wilson reported: Team from county said that the grant qualified but that money was "tight". They said it would cost about $6,000,000 including the bridge issue. Topics included bridge, width of pathway (possibly 6 ft.), environmental issues, visibility, community input.   Will be done in phases and will be sent back to community group to prioritize sections of request. County does not want to touch anything that they cannot bring up to current code specifications. There may be funding for existing bridges that have not been retrofitted. DPG priority list: 1.Walkway over Riverside Dr. bridge, 2. Pathway, 3. Bridge over Descanso Creek, 4. Bike pathway on 79 (not addressed in grant), 5. Drainage between school/State Park.   DPG feels we need to commit to one section IMMEDIATELY as the money allocation will be determined in March and allocated the next year. After discussion with Ms. Wilson we all agreed to Don/Terry* **MOTION: 1. School to Perkins, 2. School to Descanso Creek Bridge (east) as priorities. VOTE: 8-0-0-1**
    B. **EIR for Strategic Removal of Selected Dead, Dying and Diseased Trees:** Review and recommend response to DPLU CEQU Log No. 1000004 due December 17, 2010 regarding tree removal as recommended by the Forest Area Safety Task Force. Comments to Bobbie.Stephenson@sdcounty.ca.gov. Joellen/Don *MOTION: DPG wants the EIR to specify the funding, source, and timeline for the project. VOTE: 8-0-0-1*
    C. **SANDAG Population Projection for 91916 and Central Mountain Planning Area:** Review growth projections for Descanso and neighboring communities for reference to FCI general plan amendment. *Michael will call FCI subcommittee meetings starting in January.*
    D. **Declare Vacant Seats on Descanso Planning Group:** Approve declaration and posting for Seat 2 and Seat 6 vacancies effective 1/1/11. *Michael will post vacancies and applications are on the County website.* ***Deirdre/John MOTION: Seats 2 and 6 are available and will be posted. VOTE: 8-0-0-1.***
7. Old Business
    A. **Park Land Dedication Ordinance Project Priority List:** Report from subcommittee for a community park in Descanso. *Michael reported that he went to a Parks and Recreation stakeholders meeting and met David Martinez – County Parks – who knew all about the project and was working with Van Zant (MEUSD superintendent).*

8. Open Discussion/Presentation from the Floor. Any member of the public may address the Group on topics pertaining to planning, zoning and land use, which does not appear elsewhere in this agenda. No Group action is permitted on items not on the agenda in accordance with the Brown Act. Speakers will be allowed 3 minutes.
9. Request for Agenda Items on Upcoming Agendas: Posting to fill vacant seats in January. *Parkland dedication (Terry)*
10. Approval of Expenditures/Expenses and Treasurer's Report *$318.22*
11. Announcement of Next Meeting: January 20, 2011 @ 7:00PM.
12. Adjournment *8:30*